

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Canceled)
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9. **(Currently Amended)** A computer operable system for implementing an image-based document handling and delivery system, comprising:

a planning component, associated with the computer operable system, that gathers information about an infrastructure, a current document handling and delivery system and a methodology used by an entity;

an implementation component, associated with the computer operable system, that in response to the entity providing information about the infrastructure, the current handling and delivery system and the methodology used by the entity, provides the entity with a plurality of process maps that provide a plurality of step-by-step instructions for executing the image-based document handling and delivery system, the plurality of maps comprising:

at least one process map comprising a process map of the entity's existing document handling and delivery system, and at least one process map for at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system, and information on a plurality of document formats for use with the image-based document handling and delivery system, wherein the information on the plurality of document formats comprises: a definition of each of the document types; one or more examples of information covered by each of the document types; and a proposed file name for an imaged version of each of the document types; and

a control component, associated with the computer operable system, that provides the entity with a plurality of contingency guidelines and procedures for monitoring and maintaining performance of the executed image-based document handling and delivery system.

10. (Original) The system of claim 9, wherein the information on the document formats is provided in a table form.

11. **(Currently Amended)** A computer operable system for implementing an image-based document handling and delivery system, comprising:

a planning component, associated with the computer operable system, that gathers information about an infrastructure, a current document handling and delivery system and a methodology used by an entity;

an implementation component, associated with the computer operable system, that in response to the entity providing information about the infrastructure, the current handling and delivery system and the methodology used by the entity, provides the entity with a plurality of process maps that provide a plurality of step-by-step instructions for executing the image-based document handling and delivery system, the plurality of maps comprising:

at least one process map comprising a process map of the entity's existing document handling and delivery system, and at least one process map for at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system, and information on a plurality of document formats for use with the image-based document handling and delivery system, wherein the information on the plurality of document formats comprises: a definition of each of the document types; one or more examples of information covered by each of the document types; and a proposed file name for an imaged version of each of the document types; and

a control component, associated with the computer operable system, that provides the entity with a plurality of contingency guidelines and procedures for monitoring and maintaining performance of the executed image-based document handling and delivery system,

wherein the control component comprises:

a plurality of contingency guidelines for addressing each of a plurality of predetermined errors and situations that may arise in the use of the image-based document handling and delivery system; and

a reporting component, associated with the computer operable system, that provides one or more reports on a plurality of performance factors relating to use of the image-based document handling and reporting system.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein the contingency guidelines comprise error a plurality of resolution guidelines that provide one or more possible solutions for each of the predetermined errors and situations that may arise in the use of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

13. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein the error resolution guidelines comprise:

a list of a plurality of potential errors;
an identity of an entity responsible for identifying an occurrence for each of the predetermined errors;
an identity of an entity responsible for correcting each of the predetermined errors;
one or more proposed solutions for each of the predetermined errors;
one or more proposed communication mechanisms for reporting each of the predetermined errors;
a recommended time frame for correcting each of the predetermined errors;
and
an identity of entity responsible for confirming that an error occurrence has been corrected.

14. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein the contingency guidelines comprise a failure modes effects analysis that identifies a plurality of possible failure modes, suggests one or more possible causes of each of the failure modes, and provides one or more recommendations for correcting each of the failure modes.

15. (Previously Presented) A computer operable system for implementing an image-based document handling and delivery system, comprising:

a list of a plurality of frequently asked questions about the image-based document handling and delivery systems and a corresponding answer for each of the frequently asked questions;

a questionnaire for an entity to complete;

a plurality of maps that are provided to the entity in response the questionnaire being completed, the plurality of maps comprising:

at least one process map comprising a process map of the entity's existing document handling and delivery system, and at least one process map for at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system, and information on a plurality of document formats for use with the image-based document handling and delivery system, wherein the information on the plurality of document formats comprises: a definition of each of the document types; one or more examples of information covered by each of the document types; and a proposed file name for an imaged version of each of the document types;

a plurality of contingency guidelines for addressing a plurality of predetermined errors and situations that may arise in use of the image-based document handling and delivery system; and

a reporting component that provides one or more reports on a plurality of performance factors relating to use of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

16. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the questionnaire for the entity to complete comprises:

a plurality of questions related to a plurality of operational issues and technical issues; and

a request for a contact list.

17. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the at least one process map comprises:

a process map of the entity's existing document handling and delivery system; and

a process map for at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

18. (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein the process map for the at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system comprises:

a process map of a plurality of steps to be taken by the entity for executing the image-based document handling and delivery system; and

a process map of a plurality of steps to be taken by a receiver of the document for executing the image-based document handling and delivery system.

19. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the information on the plurality of documents comprises:

a definition for each of a plurality of document types;

one or more examples of information covered by each of the document types;

and

a proposed file name for an imaged version of each of the document types.

20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the information on the plurality of document formats is provided in a table form.

21. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the contingency guidelines comprise error a plurality of resolution guidelines that provide one or more solutions for the predetermined errors that may arise in use of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

22. (Original) The system of claim 21, wherein the error resolution guidelines comprise:

a list of potential errors;

an identity of an entity responsible for identifying an occurrence for each of the predetermined errors;

an identity of an entity responsible for correcting each of the predetermined errors;

one or more proposed solutions for each of the predetermined errors;

one or more proposed communication mechanisms for reporting each of the predetermined errors;

a recommended time frame for correcting each of the predetermined errors;

and

an identity of an entity responsible for confirming that an error occurrence has been corrected.

23. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the contingency guidelines comprise a failure modes effects analysis that identifies a plurality of possible failure modes, suggests one or more possible causes of each of the failure modes, and provides one or more recommendations for correcting each of the failure modes.

24. (Previously Presented) A memory for a computer that stores:

a list of a plurality of frequently asked questions about an image-based document handling and delivery system and a corresponding answer for each of the frequently asked questions;

a questionnaire for an entity to complete;

a plurality of maps that are provided to the entity in response to the questionnaire being completed, the plurality of maps comprising:

at least one process map comprising a process map of the entity's existing document handling and delivery system, and at least one process map for at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system, and information on a plurality of document formats for use with the image-based document handling and delivery system, wherein the information on the plurality of document formats comprises: a definition of each of the document types; one or more examples of information covered by each of the document types; and a proposed file name for an imaged version of each of the document types; and

a plurality of contingency guidelines for addressing a plurality of predetermined errors and situations that may arise in use of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

25. (Original) The memory of claim 24, wherein the questionnaire for the entity to complete, comprises:

a plurality of questions related to a plurality of operational issues and technical issues; and

a request for a contact list.

26. (Original) The memory of claim 24, wherein the at least one process map comprises:

a process map of the entity's existing document handling and delivery system;
and

a process map for at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

27. (Original) The memory of claim 26, wherein the process map for the at least a portion of

the image-based document handling and delivery system comprises:

a process map of the steps to be taken by the entity for executing the image-based document handling and delivery system; and

a process map of the steps to be taken at a document's destination for executing the image-based document handling and delivery system.

28. (Original) The memory of claim 24, wherein the information on a plurality of document formats comprises:

one or more definitions for each of the document types;

one or more examples of information covered by each of the document types;

and

a proposed file name for an imaged version of each of the document types.

29. (Original) The memory of claim 28, wherein the information on the plurality of document formats is provided in a table form.

30. (Original) The memory of claim 24, wherein the contingency guidelines comprise error a plurality of resolution guidelines that provide one or more solutions for each of the predetermined errors that may arise in use of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

31. (Original) The memory of claim 30, wherein the error resolution guidelines comprise:

a list of potential errors;

an identity of an entity responsible for identifying an occurrence for each of the predetermined errors;

an identity of an entity responsible for correcting each of the predetermined errors;

one or more proposed solutions for each of the Predetermined errors;
one or more proposed communication mechanisms for reporting each the
predetermined errors;
a recommended time frame for correcting each of the potential errors; and
an identity of an entity responsible for confirming that an error occurrence has
been corrected.

32. (Original) The memory of claim 24, wherein the contingency guidelines
comprise a failure modes effects analysis that identifies a plurality of possible failure modes, one
or more possible causes of each of the failure modes, and one or more recommendations for
correcting each of the failure modes.

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41. (Previously Presented) A computer operable method of implementing an image-
based document handling and delivery system, comprising the steps of:

gathering information about an entity's existing document handling and delivery system;

after gathering information about the entity's existing document handling and delivery system, providing the entity with a plurality of maps in response to the questionnaire being completed, the plurality of maps comprising:

at least one process map comprising a process map of the entity's existing document handling and delivery system, and at least one process map for at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system, and information on a plurality of document formats for use with the image-based document handling and delivery system, wherein the information on the plurality of document formats comprises: a definition of each of the document types; one or more examples of information covered by each of the document types; and a proposed file name for an imaged version of each of the document types; and

providing the entity with a plurality of guidelines and procedures for monitoring and maintaining performance of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

42. (Original) The method of claim 41, wherein the information on the document formats is provided in a table form.

43. (Previously Presented) A computer operable method of implementing an image-based document handling and delivery system, comprising the steps of:

gathering information about an entity's existing document handling and delivery system;
providing the entity with a plurality of maps in response to the questionnaire being completed, the plurality of maps comprising:

at least one process map comprising a process map of the entity's existing document handling and delivery system, and at least one process map for at least a portion of the image-based document handling and delivery system, and information on a plurality of document

formats for use with the image-based document handling and delivery system, wherein the information on the plurality of document formats comprises: a definition of each of the document types; one or more examples of information covered by each of the document types; and a proposed file name for an imaged version of each of the document types;

providing the entity with a plurality of guidelines and procedures for monitoring and maintaining performance of the image-based document handling and delivery system; and

wherein the step of providing the entity with the guidelines and procedures for monitoring and maintaining the performance of the image-based document handling and delivery system comprises providing the entity with:

a plurality of contingency guidelines for addressing a plurality of predetermined errors and situations that may arise in use of the image-based document handling and delivery system; and

a reporting component that provides one or more reports on a plurality of performance factors relating to use of the image-based document handling and reporting system.

44. (Original) The method of claim 43, wherein the step of providing the contingency guidelines comprises providing a plurality of error resolution guidelines that provide one or more solutions for each of the predetermined errors that may arise in use of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

45. (Original) The method of claim 44, wherein the step of providing the error resolution guidelines comprise providing:

a list of predetermined errors;

an identity of an entity responsible for identifying an occurrences for each of the predetermined errors;

an identity of an entity responsible for correcting each of the predetermined errors;

one or more proposed solutions for each of the predetermined errors;

one or more proposed communication mechanisms for reporting each of the predetermined errors;

a recommended time frame for correcting each of the predetermined errors;

and

an identity of an entity responsible for confirming that an error occurrence has been corrected.

46. (Original) The method of claim 43, wherein the step of providing the contingency guidelines comprises providing a failure modes effects analysis that identifies a plurality of possible failure modes, suggests one or more possible causes for each of the failure modes, and provides one or more recommendations for correcting each of the failure modes.

47. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 9 wherein the implementation module further comprises a plurality of process maps detailing how each type of imaged document will be handled at a particular destination.

48. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 9 wherein the control component further comprises a reporting component that reports on a plurality of performance factors of the image-based document handling and delivery system.

49. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15 wherein the questionnaire solicits form the entity responses related to a current document handling system or method.

50. (Previously Presented) The memory of claim 24 further comprising a reporting module that reports on a plurality of performance factors of the image-based document handling and delivery system.